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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed Japanese documents are also enclosed.

The concise explanations of relevance for the non-English documents are provided in the Description of the Related Art (pages 5 and 6) and Detailed Description of the Preferred Embodiments (pages 46, 48 and 49) sections of the specification.

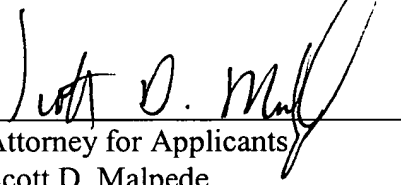
For the Examiner's additional information, U.S. Patent No. 4,608,577 corresponds to Japanese Document No. 60-71260, and U.S. Patent No. 6,203,133 corresponds to Japanese Document No. 9-46522.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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		4,459,600	07/1984	Sato, et al.	346	140 R	
		4,463,359	07/1984	Ayata, et al.	346	1.1	
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		59-138461	08/1984	Japan			Abstract
		54-56847	08/1979	Japan			Abstract
		60-71260	04/1985	Japan			Abstract
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		<b>5,751,310</b>	<b>05/1998</b>	<b>Yano, et al.</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>43</b>	
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